SENATE BILL 1281

By Jackson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3; Title 4; Title 8; Title 12; Title 54; Title 55; Title 56 and Title 71, relative to state government.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 11, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

- (a) All vehicles purchased or leased with funds appropriated by the state for the use of any department, office, or agency of the state shall display a vehicle abuse hotline decal.
- (b) The decal shall contain a telephone number or website information through which complaints regarding potential misuse of a state vehicle, including speeding, texting and driving, or reckless driving, can be submitted.
- (c) The department shall establish and maintain a vehicle abuse hotline and website through which complaints regarding potential misuse of a state vehicle can be submitted. The department shall also establish procedures for notifying departments, offices, and agencies of the state regarding any complaints received.
- (d) The department shall respond to each individual who has submitted a complaint under this section, no later than fifteen (15) days after receiving the complaint, with any actions or comments resulting from the complaint.
- (e) The cost of implementation of this section shall be provided from within existing resources of the department.

SECTION 2. For purposes of establishing the hotline, website, and necessary procedures, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.